

## NONPROVISIONAL PATENT **APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL RULE §1.53(b)** IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title):

PROCESS FOR DECREASING CONTENT OF PARTICULATE MATERIAL CONTAINED IN EXHAUST GAS FROM LEAN BURN ENGINE OR THE LIKE

By (Inventors):

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46 pages of Specification/Claims 1-12/Abstract are attached.

Formal drawings (Figs. 1-9; 9 sheets) are attached.

A Preliminary Amendment is attached.

Priority of <u>Japanese</u> Application Number <u>2002-337832</u> filed <u>November 21, 2002</u>, <u>Japanese</u> Application Number 2002-337833 filed November 21, 2002, and Japanese Application Number 2002-337834 filed November 21, 2002, are claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.

Certified copies of the above corresponding foreign applications are attached.

The filing fee is calculated below and includes claim status after entry of any Preliminary Amendment noted above:

FOR:	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA
BASIC FEE		
TOTAL CLAIMS	19 - 20	= 0
INDEP CLAIMS	4 - 3	= 1
☑ MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS		

SMALL ENTITY		
FEE	<u>OR</u>	
\$ 385	<u>OR</u>	
\$	<u>OR</u>	
	FEE \$ 385 \$ \$	

LARGE ENTITY		
RATE	FEE	
	\$ 770	
x 18	\$ 0	
x 86	\$ 86	
+290	\$ 290	
TOTAL	\$1146	

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